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## **Man dies after police respond to suicide in progress**

*Subject with self-inflicted wounds confronts officers with knife;  
officers forced to fire weapons*

Howard County police officers responding to a suicide-in-progress today were confronted by a man with a knife who had serious, self-inflicted stab wounds. Two responding officers were forced to fire their weapons. The man was transported to Shock Trauma and has been pronounced dead.

Shortly after 1:30 this afternoon, officers responded to a call in the 7600 block of Coachlight Lane in Ellicott City for a possible suicide in progress.

Two officers arrived at the scene, made contact with family members and entered the residence. Police located the subject, 45-year-old Darren Friedman, in his bedroom with several serious self-inflicted stab wounds. As officers entered the room to render aid, the subject confronted them with the knife at which time both officers fired their weapons.

Darren Friedman was flown to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center where he was pronounced deceased. The exact cause of death is undetermined at this time. Police will await autopsy results.

Investigation is continuing.

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